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REVIEW

Of Affairs in Louisville's Business Circles for the Year Now Closing.

Merchants Might Have Fared Worse as Result of the Panic.

The Majority of Enterprises Have Weathered the Storm Well.

MANY IMPROVEMENTS COMING

The panic that broke over the United States in October of 1907 is slowly but surely giving way to better times. The clouds of despondency that covered the financial horizon are gradually drifting away, and the ablest financiers of the country believe that with the dawn of the next year a new and brighter era of prosperity will open. Already there has been a quickening in financial and commercial lines, and Louisville has begun to show signs of the business revival. Bad as the last year has been, it might have been worse. Despite the hard times of the past twelve months comparatively few business failures were noted in Louisville. Neither were there any strikes of moment. A number of factories closed down temporarily, but other concerns, like the Louisville & Nashville Railroad Company, tided over by putting their employees on shorter hours. Perhaps the people who suffered most from the stringency in the money market were the retail grocers. Many of them do a credit trade. Their patrons, for the most part, are mechanics and laborers who work for railroad companies and other big corporations. When these men were thrown out of work the grocers extended their credit. Bye and bye the wholesale grocers demanded their money from the retail merchants, and many had a hard time making both ends meet.

All this is being changed now. Railroad building and the manufacturing business is steadily improving. The Louisville & Nashville Railroad Company has put its mechanics back to work six days in the week, and will soon put them to work ten hours instead of nine a day. Orders for locomotives, passenger and freight cars that had been annulled when the panic broke have been ordered anew. The work at the new depot at Jellico, Tenn., has been recommenced. What is true of the L. & N. is true of the other roads in the State in proportion to their size.

The Louisville Railway Company gave no evidence that it suffered from the panic. During the year it kept on the even tenor of its way, put many new cars into commission, improved its roadbeds and tracks, and extended interurban lines to all parts of the country. When other lines of business were dull there was always work for motormen and conductors who attended to their duties. The Louisville Railway Company also helped materially in making the State Fair a success by extending its lines to the entrance to the grounds. Its employment of thousands of men at good wages was a material help to large numbers of our retail merchants and did much to keep them going.

Despite the hard times the State Fair was a success and after expenses were paid a very handsome balance was left in the treasury. This is now a fixed institution with permanent grounds and permanent buildings. The number of buildings will be increased as the occasion demands. But the State Fair brought people from all over Kentucky, and merchants, manufacturers, hotels, boarding houses, restaurants and theaters all profited by the visits of our country cousins.

Speaking of amusements, it can be truthfully said that no manager offered Louisville a first class attraction within the past twelve months and was disappointed at the result. Louisville had a good base ball club and the management reaped a harvest. Moving picture theaters sprung up one after another, and everyone that had attractive entertainments prospered. The other and more pretentious theaters played to good houses whenever they presented a first class show.

With the signs of prosperity foreshadowed, it would seem that all residents of our fair city are getting together for a new and greater Louisville. There is a boom in real estate. The new sewer system has caused a building boom in the western, southern and eastern suburbs, and it is expected that the number of new homes that will be erected in the spring will cause a greater demand for building mechanics at good wages.

WOMAN LEGISLATOR.

The only woman member of the Colorado Legislature is Mrs. Alma V. LaFayette. She is talked of by Speaker of the House, but she declares she has more important work to do in looking after the bills recommended by the women of the State.

ST. JOSEPH'S SODALITY.

A strong sodality of young men is always a healthy sign for a Catholic congregation, and surely St. Joseph's parish ought to be doubly blessed, since it has a large body of young men who regularly attend the sodal-

ity meetings. Last Sunday St. Joseph's Sodality received holy communion in a body. In the afternoon they attended the vesper service and heard an excellent sermon preached by the Rev. Father Constantine, O. S. M. After benediction the young men adjourned to their hall and elected the following officers for the ensuing year: President, V. K. Ecker; Vice President, Martin Fritsch; Secretary, Louis Schmucke; Treasurer, George Georger; Librarian, Louis Baden; Marshal, Joseph Wiggling; Banner-bearer, Louis Oechsle; Assistant Banner-bearer, Joseph Schmidt and William P. Schindler.

ONLY DUST

Remains of Bishop's Body Buried Seven Hundred Years.

While installing a new heating plant in the Cathedral at Basle, Switzerland, workmen uncovered a crypt that contained the remains of a Bishop that had been buried for seven centuries. While there were no distinct marks to show exactly who the prelate was, the remains are known to have been either those of Bishops Lutold, of Arbury, who died in 1213; or Heinrich, of Thun, who died in 1238. The remains were removed as tenderly as possible, but crumbled into dust at the slightest jar. They were taken to the Basle museum, where they were photographed, not on account of the wasted skeleton, but to secure pictures of the episcopal robes and insignia worn in the thirteenth century.

The body had been embalmed, but the process only delayed and did not arrest the process of decay. Several of the fingers of the skeleton were covered with skin that turned into parchment, but they crumbled at a touch. The highly ornate crozier or shepherd's staff had been made of ash, Linden and oak mortised together. Though rotten in the center, it still retains its shape. Several of the processions of preserving the bodies of the dead seem to have far excelled those of the Christian era, as is shown in the present case, because the attempt to preserve the body from total decay utterly failed.



S. M. RAFFO, Grand Knight, Knights of Columbus.

IMMENSE TASK

Is Before Benedictines in Revision of Latin Vulgate.

The Right Rev. F. A. Gasquet, Abbot of the English Benedictines, who has been commissioned by Pope Pius X. to undertake a revision of the Vulgate, has returned to Rome for the winter and to assume the labors he began last year.

Abbot Gasquet has given some idea of the progress he has made in his vast undertaking, or, to be more exact, in the preparations for it.

"Before such a project can become a fact," he said, "we have to gather together the tools with which we work. This winter we shall specially devote ourselves to a thorough and systematic overhauling of the Cathedral libraries of Spain and Italy. In the suppression of the Italian religious houses by laws which immediately preceded and followed the loss of temporal power in 1870, the monasteries lost all their books, but the Cathedral chapters managed to retain possession of their treasures, and since their libraries seldom are catalogued and they do not themselves know the precious relics of the past that are contained in them it is impossible to say what magnificent discoveries may not reward an exhaustive search."

The Abbot genially remarked that there is no work so engrossing, so full of pleasant surprises, as bibliography. Not long ago, in an English library, he himself came across a priceless tenth century palimpsest of the value of which the owners were absolutely unaware and which now has been acquired by the British Museum for about \$15,000.

Only lately Abbot Gasquet received a photograph which he thought can be no other than that page of the celebrated "Codex Amiatinus" from the Laurentian Library in Florence which was one of three copies made in the Jarrow monastery in Northumberland, from which the venerable Bede came. Two other copies are known to have remained in the north of England, but were entirely lost.

BISHOP IN FLORIDA.

The Right Rev. Bishop William George McCloskey, Bishop of Louisville, has gone to Pensacola for a period of rest. His health, considering his advanced age, is good, but his stay in the land of flowers is indefinite.

ABLE PRIEST

WAS SELECTED IN CONCURSUS

Has Been Chosen Irremovable Rector of Old St. John's Parish.

The Rev. Dr. George W. Schuhmann Has Been Named by Bishop.

A Native of Louisville and in Touch With All City's Best Interests.

The Very Rev. George W. Schuhmann, D. D., has been appointed irremovable rector of St. John's church at Clay and Walnut streets. The appointment was made by the Right Rev. Bishop McCloskey following a concursus held at the Cathedral rectory last Thursday afternoon. Father Schuhmann's appointment became effective Monday after the Bishop officially confirmed the choice of those taking part in the concursus. Several months ago the venerable Father Lawrence Bax resigned as pastor of St. John's, after fifty-three years' service, and returned to his native Holland. The Rev. Father Daniel P. Gallagher, who had been his assistant for a short time, was temporarily in charge of the parish, but fell ill on Thanksgiving day and was removed to Sts. Mary and Elizabeth Hospital, where he is now convalescing.

Prior to a trip to Florida Bishop McCloskey called a concursus of the diocese for the purpose of choosing Father Bax's successor. It was held at the Cathedral rectory Thursday afternoon of last week with the Very Rev. Father J. P. Cronin, president. The Rev. John T. O'Connor, of Holy Name church, Chancellor, and Rev. Father Thomas J. Hayes, of Bowling Green, and Rev. Father Edward S. Fitzgerald, of Owensboro, were the examiners. The candidates were the Very Rev. Dr. Schuhmann, of the Cathedral, and the Rev. Father W. D. Pike, of Fairfield. Both passed the examination with great credit. Rev. Dr. Schuhmann was recommended for the irremovable rectorship, and the papers were sent to the Right Rev. Bishop at once. Monday morning the papers were returned with the Bishop's approval and Dr. Schuhmann was notified of his appointment forthwith.

The news of Father Schuhmann's appointment will be greeted with delight by his many friends, although the communicants of the Cathedral parish are loathe to lose him. He is well acquainted in St. John's parish, and the congregation will give him a royal welcome. He takes charge of an old, in fact one of the oldest congregations in the city. The church is consecrated, has a substantial rectory and parochial school buildings. With his scholarly attainments Dr. Schuhmann will no doubt make many improvements in the present school system and environment.

Rev. Dr. George W. Schuhmann is still in his early forties, and is the eldest son of George S. Schuhmann, President of the Louisville Anzeiger Company. After attending St. Mary's parochial school in this, his native city, the priest-to-be spent several years at St. Meinrad's College in Indiana. Later he returned to Louisville and entered the Boys' High School. He was at that time so far advanced that he skipped the first two years, for it was then a five-year course, and entered the sophomore class. He graduated with the highest honors of his class in 1883 and then went to the celebrated University of Innsbruck, in the Tyrol, where he completed his studies and was ordained. Not only did he come out with the title of Doctor of Divinity, but he graduated with the highest honors of his class and in his final examination his average exceeded that of any student at the university in seventeen years.

After being ordained Father Schuhmann came back to Louisville, and for about eighteen years has been one of the assistant priests at the Cathedral. Although a great scholar his language in the pulpit is always of the simplest. He is an eloquent and forceful speaker, but at the same time modest to a point of sensitiveness regarding his scholarly attainments. Only recently his name was sent to Rome as the second choice of the irremovable rectors of the Cleveland diocese as successor to the late Bishop Horstmann.

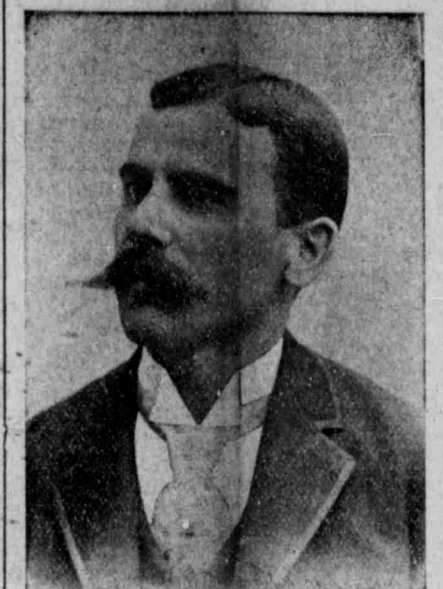
JAMES MACKAY DEAD.

By the death of James Mackay on Monday morning the city lost an honorable and capable citizen, and a family a faithful son and brother. The deceased was forty-two years old, and is survived by his mother, Mrs. Emma Mackay, of 1901 Griffiths avenue; a brother, John Mackay, and three sisters, Misses Ida, Emma and Mamie Mackay. For several years Mr. Mackay held an important clerkship in the Board of Public Works, and two years ago was transferred to the City Comptroller's department, where he rendered efficient service until he became ill last May. The funeral took place from St. Patrick's church on Wednesday morning and was attended by many friends and city officials.

KENTUCKY HEATING COMPANY.

The residents of Louisville have been greatly benefited by the service of the Kentucky Heating Company. It is one of the most commendable of Louisville's public utility institutions, and since its establishment has constantly improved its service and extended its mains. It is now well

equipped and is considered one of the most improved and modern heating services in the United States. The gentlemen at the head of the company are men of prominence in Louisville financial circles and their names are a guarantee of success for any concern with which they may become identified. The company's officers are: Donald McDonald, President; Charles J. Doherty, First Vice President; John P. Starks, Second Vice President; Thomas W. Kennedy, Secretary.



JAMES B. KELLY, Re-elected President Trinity Council.

FOND FAREWELL.

Chicago People Pay Tribute to Rockford's New Bishop.

The Right Rev. Peter J. Muldoon, Bishop of the newly created diocese of Rockford, Ill., took charge of his new field of labor on Tuesday. Sunday night thousands of people crowded the Auditorium Theater in Chicago to bid the prelate farewell. Addresses were made by prominent clergymen. A purse amounting to more than \$50,000 was also presented to Bishop Muldoon.

Peter J. Muldoon was born in Columbia, Cal., October 10, 1863, and received his early education in the public schools of the Golden State. He studied theology at St. Mary's College of the Resurrectionists at St. Mary's, Ky., and later at St. Mary's Seminary in Baltimore. He was ordained a priest at the age of twenty-three and was assigned as assistant priest to St. Paul church, Chicago. At twenty-five he was honored by Archbishop Feehan with the remarkable distinction of the Chancellorship of the archdiocese. He gained a national reputation as Secretary of the Catholic exhibit at the World's Fair. After that he built up one of the finest churches in the city, and a parochial school, including a high school for boys and academy for girls, as pastor of St. Charles Borromeo's church. On July 25, 1901, he was consecrated Bishop as auxiliary to the late Archbishop Feehan, with the title of Vicar General. From then until the installation of Archbishop Guigley the illness of Auxiliary Bishop A. J. McGavick and the illness which ended in the death of Archbishop Feehan threw upon the young man almost the entire burden of administering the archdiocese.

Bishop Muldoon, while never advocating prohibition, has long been the foe of intemperance and has done much to combat that evil since becoming Auxiliary Bishop of Chicago. His old friends and admirers believe that his reign as first Bishop of Rockford will be illustrious.

HANDSOME PORTRAIT

Presented Mackin Council by One of Its Old Members.

The attendance at Mackin Council Tuesday night was fair. President Robert T. Burke occupied the chair and urged all members to attend the installation of officers, which will take place on the first Tuesday in January. Dr. Leo Kearns, James Jannery and Dave Hummel, who have been ill, were reported as much improved.

President Burke appointed Ben Sand Council Deputy for the ensuing year. The members greeted with applause the presentation to the council of a handsome portrait of their Chaplain, the Rev. Father Thomas Murray. It is the gift of Charles S. Raily and will adorn the walls of the council chamber.

Mackin's members are quietly preparing plans for a series of entertainments to be given after the holidays.

GIFTS TO UNIVERSITY.

In addition to the collections taken up in every diocese in the United States for the Catholic University at Washington and to its ordinary revenues, several handsome gifts were made to that institution during the past twelve months. Among these was a gift of \$10,000 from Monsignor Lee, who presented that sum for the purpose of founding a "Dee Fellowship" in Caldwell Hall. This will aid young priests in obtaining the degree of Doctor of Sacred Theology. Another handsome gift was the library of the late Rev. Dr. D. J. Stafford, of Washington. At present the university has no debts, but on the contrary has \$527,000 at its command.

GROWING METROPOLIS.

Inside of twelve years New York promises to be the largest city on the earth. It is now growing more than six times as fast as London.

HOLY TIME.

Christmas Is a Gladsome Feast For the Whole Christian World.

Angels Sang the First Joyful Greetings in Honor of the Christ Child.

Many Masses Celebrated in Louisville Churches On Great Day.

CHARITABLE SPIRIT PREVAILS

Next Friday will be Christmas! What a flood of memory that brings upon all young and old, the grave and the gay, the priest and the layman, the society butterfly and the nun! How have we spent the year? Since the last Christmas have we prepared for the coming one? Have we remembered the old folks at home? Have we been charitable to our neighbor? Even the most callous pause to ponder over thoughts like these at this season. The show windows are filled with toys and gaudy trinkets, with rich apparel and costly jewelry, and it suddenly dawns upon man and woman that Christmas is at hand, and for the many the size of the purse is not in proportion to the size of the well of charity that swells up in the heart at this time. Many in their exuberance would like to make everybody happy on Christmas day. They forget that they have made many unhappy during the twelve months past, and yet this desire to give is indicative of inherent charity in the human soul. Some will ask: "Whence came this custom of presenting gifts at Christmas? Whence came the custom of wishing friends and acquaintances 'A Merry Christmas and a happy New Year'?"

The first Christmas greeting came from the angels to the shepherds watching in the fields near Bethlehem 1000 years ago. "Glory to God on high and peace on earth to men of good will," they sang. The first gifts were not brought to the infant Saviour by his own people, but by men of strange lands. The Three Wise Men of the East, who followed his star to the stable at Bethlehem, bore gifts of gold, frankincense and myrrh.

Since then the Christians in all ages have presented gifts to those near and dear to them, to their employees and to the needy, the infirm and the orphan, during Christmas.

At this season of the year the churches are decorated with holly and evergreens, myriads of lights illumine the altars and sanctuaries, the choirs sing their most gladsome melodies and all to do honor to the Christ child. Only on this day of all the year is a priest permitted to celebrate three masses, and while it is not obligatory there are few priests who fail to take advantage of the opportunity, and comparatively few Catholics who do not approach holy communion and hear at least three masses.

Here in Louisville, with at least thirty-five churches, there can be no excuse for an able-bodied Catholic missing mass on Christmas day. The first masses in all the churches will be celebrated at 5 o'clock. Usually it is a high mass and wherever there are three or more priests it is solemn high in the larger churches, where there are five, six or more priests, the masses follow in rapid succession from 5 o'clock until nearly noon, and as a rule the churches are crowded at each mass.

Whether it is sung in childish treble, in the rich voice of the trained soprano, or the magnificent deep bass of the mature man, there is no sweeter music to the ear of a Catholic than the "Adeste Fideles" on Christmas morning. To some it recalls the days of their early Christmas days in Ireland, Germany or other lands far distant. To others it recalls the days of their youth, when fond parents, now dead, were wont to lavish their gifts on their little ones. It brings tender thoughts to every mind, but there are many who forget these sweet and pleasant memories in the gaieties that follow during the day.

COVINGTON'S NEW CHURCH.

The new and handsome church of St. Benedict in Covington, will be dedicated by the Right Rev. Bishop C. P. Maes at 10 o'clock tomorrow morning. Previous to the dedicatory ceremonies there will be a street procession in which nearly all of the societies of Catholics in Covington will participate. The Knights of St. George, Knights of St. John and all the parish organizations will be represented in the line of march. The new structure cost \$60,000, and is of the Romanesque style of architecture.

GEORGE W. CUSADEN.

Every effort should be made to encourage a valuable home enterprise, such as the Cusaden Ice Cream Company. George Cusaden has given constant care and study to the business during a period of thirty-five years, and has spared no effort to put the highest grade of healthful products on the market. He uses nothing but the purest cream and milk supplied by the leading dairies of this vicinity in the manufacture of his wares. George W. Cusaden is an enthusiast on the subject of ice cream, and guarantees a better product than the people of this section of the country have been able to obtain elsewhere. It is

no exaggeration to say that he deserves the title of the "Daddy" of Louisville's ice cream business. His plant is the most modern in the city, and is equipped with power machine freezers and ice crushers and has a capacity of 1,000 gallons of ice cream a day. In addition to supplying Louisville, Mr. Cusaden has a large shipping trade, and sends his wares to many towns in Kentucky and Southern Indiana. He sells in any quantity, wholesale and retail, and will deliver any amount from a gallon up. Special prices are made for churches, clubs and organizations using large quantities of ice cream.

PAPAL AUDIENCES.

Three Noted American Prelates Received by Pope Pius X.

Cable advices inform us that the Most Rev. John J. Glennon, Archbishop of St. Louis, had his first audience with our Holy Father Pope Pius X. on last Saturday. It was the prelate's first visit to Rome since the election of the present Pontiff. After the audience Archbishop Glennon expressed his pleasure at his gracious reception. After telling the Pope of the spiritual welfare of his archdiocese and of the welfare of an Italian colony in Missouri, the Archbishop told Pope Pius that he had been commissioned by the United States Government to take a census of the Catholic population of the United States. He gave an extended account of this work and said the figures showed a total of 14,000,000 Catholics after deducting 15 per cent. for children, who were not to be included. Archbishop Glennon said that counting omissions and those that had been overlooked, he was satisfied that the real Catholic population was nearer to 18,000,000.

Archbishop Glennon and Bishop Allen, of Mobile, assisted at the great ecclesiastical event of the Roman scholastic year, namely the conferring of medals and degrees at the great international university of the Propaganda.

During the present week Archbishop Ireland, of St. Paul, and Bishop Scannell, of Omaha, were received in audience by the Pope.



LOUIS J. KIEFFER, Mackin Council's New President.

SAVANNAH'S LOSS.

Thomas B. Catherwood and P. J. O'Connor Are No More.

Death claimed two noted Irish-American citizens of Savannah last week in the persons of Thomas B. Catherwood and Patrick J. O'Connor, the latter of national reputation among Catholics and Irishmen.

Mr. Catherwood was born at Londonderry, Ireland, in 1840, and came to America in 1852. The family resided in South Carolina, where Thomas received his education. At the outbreak of the civil war he entered the Confederate army and served in the artillery until the close of the war, when he removed to Savannah. For thirty years he held many important positions as a member of the Central of Georgia railway. He was a staunch Irish Nationalist and a writer of ability, contributing many articles to the Southern journals under the pen name of "Emerald." His wife and five children survive him.

Patrick J. O'Connor, familiarly called the "Little Giant," died as the result of blood poisoning and after a brief illness. He was born in Savannah in 1859 and made that city his home all his life. After graduating from the parochial schools in that city he studied law at the Jesuit College at Georgetown, D. C., and was admitted to the bar in 1882. He made his mark as a lawyer and as a debater from the beginning. He was always active in Irish and Catholic societies and at different times was National President of the Ancient Order of Hibernians and Supreme President of the Catholic Knights of America. Mr. O'Connor also organized the first division of the A. O. H. in Savannah, and served two terms as a member of his city's Board of Aldermen. He is survived by his wife, three daughters and two sons. His funeral took place from St. Patrick's church, of which he was a lifelong communicant.

DIED IN FLORIDA.

The funeral of W. J. Bush, who died in Florida last week, took place from the family residence, Third and Avery streets, Sunday afternoon and was attended by a large circle of friends and acquaintances. Words of condolence were expressed by the Rev. Father William Guepho to Mrs. Bush, who was prostrate over the loss of her beloved husband. No services were held.

SMOTHERED.

Our City Administration Does Not Want All Its Works Exposed.

Capt. Haragadon Reduced Because He Was Attentive to His Duty.

Serious Clash Between Police Department and Sheriff's Office Prospective.

POLICE SPYING ON EACH OTHER

The present city administration continues to pursue dark lantern methods and the men that undertake to guide affairs are being pulled off a grand stand play. In the latter case the daily newspapers are given a surfeit of news about raids on saloons, a shortage or an overplus of police, and the handsome new automobiles purchased for the fire and police departments.

No daily paper was vouchsafed the information that Tom Haragadon was reduced from Captain of the No. 8 Engine Company to driver of the coal wagon last Saturday night, and that John Jacobs was made Captain in his stead.

In what did Capt. Haragadon offend? When W. H. Taft spoke here at the Coliseum in October Capt. Haragadon and his men were fighting a fire at Thirteenth and Oak, while other members of the fire department and fire department horses were in the Taft parade. Haragadon led his men into the fire, extinguished the flames, prevented a great loss of property, and when he came from the burning building drew off his gloves the skin came from his hands. He has been reduced for attention to duty.

Herman Roehr, who keeps a saloon in the East End, and who was a Deputy Sheriff, at least he was on the pay-roll, has resigned. There is a story out that the resignation was brought about as the result of a clash between the Sheriff and the police department. The daily papers have not even hinted at the cause of Roehr's resignation.

But that is not all. The word was gone around that all city jobs now held by Democrats must be filled by Republicans, even in the police and fire departments. What do they expect to do? Put negroes in the fire department, or on the police force? Imagine a big black squad, clad in the Foster, ordering people to move on one of our congested thoroughfares. Such a thing is possible. Out of 18,000 registered Republican votes 10,000 are negroes, and many of the remaining 8,000 are thriving business men who have no desire to be police or firemen. Surely there are too few white Republicans left to go around.

The Luschinger episode has also attracted attention. Luschinger was formerly a conductor in the employment of the Louisville Railway Company. Can anybody tell why his connection with that company was severed, or whether he could be reinstated if he so desired. Luschinger got his ideas of detective methods from reading "Old Sleuth" stories. Certainly Col. Haager nor any reputable policeman or detective ever spent spying on their fellows disguised as a tramp. Luschinger had four policemen before the Board of Public Safety; said he found them loafing in an engine house. The defendants and their witnesses say he was disgraced as a hobo. The Board of Public Safety took the matter under advisement.

To say the least the present police force of Louisville is absolutely demoralized. Each man, whether he be patrolman, Sergeant or Captain, is watching his fellows more than he is guarding the city's interests. The Republican administration knows this; it knows that Chief Haager knows it, and his enemies want to see how long he will stand it.

Louisville under the regime of Mayor Grinstead has more policemen than under Democratic rule, still Col. Haager asks for more men, and the understanding is that they will be appointed early in January. Despite the increased police force the city is less carefully patrolled. Why? On account of so many new sub-police stations, which entail many more stationkeepers day and night and so many petty officers. Instead of giving Louisville a properly patrolled police service the department is putting on style with three new automobiles at \$1,400 per. Why not buy an airship or an aeroplane for the department?

To cap the climax of the tribulations of the city administration came the term of the Lee Figg case on Monday. Mr. Figg is a well known street contractor, and last July was arrested at the instance of Alderman Hess, who claimed Figg tried to buy him. The testimony was heard Monday. The jury evidently did not believe Hess and his witnesses, for they acquitted Figg in five minutes after they retired.

WELL KNOWN LADY ILL.

Mrs. Thomas Hanlon, of New Albany, was called to Indianapolis on Monday to attend the bedside of her sister, Mrs. Elizabeth Ryan, who was reported critically ill. Mrs. Ryan is the widow of James B. Ryan, formerly State Treasurer of Indiana. Previous to her marriage she was Miss Elizabeth Rife, a native of New Albany, a sister of former State Auditor James H. Rice, and of the late Joseph Rice, of New Albany. She has many friends in Indiana who hope for her speedy recovery.